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O 231125Z MAY 78 FM AMEMBASSY VIENNA TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 6493 INFO AMEMBASSY BONN AMEMBASSY BRUSSELS USMISSION GENEVA

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SUBJECT: AUSTRIAN OILSEED PROGRAM

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- 1. IN RESPONSE REF A, EMBASSY MADE NEW DEMARCHE MAY 19
 TO MINISTRIES OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, TRADE AND AGRICULTURE,
 STRESSING AUSTRIA'S GATT COMMITMENT AND US INTENTION
 TO "INVOKE FULLY" ITS GATT RIGHTS IF COMMITMENT
 IMPAIRED. MFA ALSO WAS INFORMED THAT IF CABINET
 APPROVED DRAFT BILL, USG WOULD WANT DIRECT CONSULTATIONS
 PRIOR TO PARLIAMENTARY CONSIDERATION.
- 2. DESPITE INDICATIONS FROM OFFICIAL SOURCES THAT DRAFT BILL WOULD NOT BE CONSIDERED THIS WEEK (AND THE ITEM HAD NOT BEEN LISTED ON THE OFFICIAL AGENDA) IT WAS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ADDED BY THE VICE CHANCELLOR (WHO PRESIDED) AND APPROVED BY THE CABINET LAST NIGHT.

3. THE FOREIGN OFFICE INFORMED US THIS MORNING THAT IN APPROVING THE MEASURE THE CABINET NOTED ITS UNDERSTANDING THAT THERE WOULD BE A PROMPT REVIEW OF EXISTING INTERNATIONAL OBLIGATIONS WITH THE US. SINCE IT DID NOT

YET HAVE THE TEXT OF THE DECISION IT COULD NOT PROVIDE EXACT WORDING OR GIVE FURTHER DETAILS BUT THESE HAVE BEEN PROMISED SOON AND WILL BE REPORTED WHEN RECEIVED. TRADE MINISTRY ALSO HAS INVITED EMBOFFS TO DISCUSSION OF ISSUE AS SOON AS ITS DIRECTOR FOR GATT AFFAIRS RETURNS TO VIENNA NEXT WEEK. WOLF

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